

Examiner-Initiated Interview Summary	Application No.	Applicant(s)	
	10/584,945	KUNO ET AL.	

Examiner	Art Unit	
DENNIS HOGUE	2622	

All Participants:

Status of Application: non-final rejection

(1) DENNIS HOGUE.

(3) ____.

(2) Dennis Chen (Reg # 61767).

(4) ____.

Date of Interview: 10 June 2009

Time: 11:15 AM

Type of Interview:

Telephonic
 Video Conference
 Personal (Copy given to: Applicant Applicant's representative)

Exhibit Shown or Demonstrated: Yes No

If Yes, provide a brief description: .

Part I.

Rejection(s) discussed:

Claims 7-12 under U.S.C. 101

Claims discussed:

Claims 1-12

Prior art documents discussed:

Part II.

SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW DESCRIBING THE GENERAL NATURE OF WHAT WAS DISCUSSED:

On 6/10/2009, after getting approval from his supervisor, the examiner called the attorney for the applicant, Dennis Chen (Reg. # 61767), to discuss potential amendments to correct minor issues in the claims, as well as to overcome a rejection of claims 7-12 under U.S.C. 101. The reasons for the potential amendments are to a.) Correct mentions of "said mean value calculating [means or step]" to "said [first or second] mean value calculating [means or step]," b.) Remove unnecessary parentheses that make the scope of the claims indefinite, c.) Remove second references to claim terms that make the claims unclear, such as for example "a first plurality of pixels (referred to below as 'first neighboring pixels')", d.) Tie the methods of claims 7-12 to a particular apparatus so as to avoid a rejection under U.S.C. 101, and e.) Correct a minor discrepancy in Figure 11. The attorney for the applicant believed the proposed changes to the method claims 7-12 were unnecessary in view of U.S.C. 101 and therefore did not want to make the proposed changes to these claims without having a chance to argue the rejections in view of U.S.C. 101. The examiner faxed a copy of the proposed amendments to the attorney for the applicant for reference purposes.

Part III.

It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview, since the interview directly resulted in the allowance of the application. The examiner will provide a written summary of the substance of the interview in the Notice of Allowability.
 It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview, since the interview did not result in resolution of all issues. A brief summary by the examiner appears in Part II above.

(Applicant/Applicant's Representative Signature – if appropriate)

